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SUBJECT: FRIULI DISASTER RELIEF

1. VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER'S PARTY DELIVERED A LETTER TO ME FROM JOHN TRAIN WHO IS A CO-CHAIRMAN WITH SENATOR PELL OF AN ORGANIZATION CALLED "THE ITALIAN EMERGENCY RELIEF COMMITTEE". OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE INCLUDE SENATORS BROOKE, KENNEDY AND PASTORE. THE COMMITTEE IS SEEKING TO SOLICIT CONTRIBUTIONS FROM AMERICAN BUSINESS LEADERS FOR THE RELIEF OF THE DISASTER VICTIMS IN THE FRIULI REGION. SENATOR PELL IS REQUESTING A CABLE OF SUPPORT FROM ME AS WELL AS ASKING FOR A RELIABLE AMERICAN ON THE SCENE IN FRIULI WHO COULD SERVE AS A CONTACT AND COORDINATOR FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF AMERICAN PRIVATE FUNDS RAISED FOR RELIEF PROJECTS.

2. IF THE DEPARTMENT SEES NO OBJECTION, I WOULD LIKE THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO BE IMMEDIATELY PASSED TO JOHN TRAIN AND SENATOR PELL.

3. BEGIN MESSAGE: I AM GRATEFUL TO LEARN THAT YOU AND OTHER PROMINENT AMERICANS HAVE FORMED A COMMITTEE TO RAISE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE FRIULI EARTHQUAKE DISASTER. AS ONE WHO PERSONALLY VIEWED THE DAMAGE AREA

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WITH VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE

DAMAGE IS EXTENSIVE AND THE TOLL IN HUMAN SUFFERING IN DEAD,  
INJURED AND THE HOMELESS IS  
HEARTRENDING. I FULLY SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGE YOUR HUMANITARIAN  
CONCERNS AND THOSE OF THE MEMBERS OF YOUR COMMITTEE WHICH  
GIVE FURTHER EVIDENCE OF AMERICA'S CONTINUING SUPPORT AND  
SOLIDARITY WITH THE ITALIAN PEOPLE. BEST REGARDS, JOHN A.  
VOLPE END MESSAGE

4. ALSO INFORM PELL'S OFFICE THAT AT PRESENT WE DO NOT HAVE  
AN AMERICAN TO SUGGEST FOR A COORDINATING ROLE BUT WE HOPE  
TO BE ABLE TO MAKE A SUGGESTION IN THE NEAR FUTURE.VOLPE

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